Graduate School-Newark Responsible Conduct of Research

Effective January 4, 2010, the National Science Foundation (NSF) implemented the Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) requirement under its America Competes Act of August 9, 2007. Every institution receiving NSF or National Institutes of Health (NIH) funds must provide training to every undergraduate, graduate and postdoctoral student supported by those funds. Rutgers is required to provide documentation to the NSF and NIH as to which students participated in the training.

ONLINE Workshop
Rutgers has contracted with the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) to provide online educational modules. CITI’s online course in Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) fulfills the training requirement for students and postdoctoral researchers funded by NSF or NIH grants. Completion of four modules is required to complete the program:
1. Research Misconduct
2. Data Acquisition and Management
3. Responsible Authorship and Publication
4. Peer Review

To enroll in the RCR course, please visit https://www.citiprogram.org. (When a Username is requested during CITI registration, the RUTGERS NET-ID or the full Rutgers email addresses should be used to ensure that the completion is recorded).

ON-SITE WORKSHOP
The Graduate School – Newark Annual RCR workshop will be held Thursday, September 1, 2016. Click here for agenda and details.

ONLINE RESOURCES
CITI Program (Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative) is a nationally recognized comprehensive subscription service that provides online training in RCR to researchers at academic institutions. Rutgers is a subscriber to the service.
The Office of Research Integrity (ORI) promotes integrity in biomedical and behavioral research supported by the U.S. Public Health Service (PHS). ORI monitors institutional investigations of research misconduct and facilitates RCR through educational, preventive, and regulatory activities. The website has many valuable resources for teaching RCR including, "The Lab" - an interactive movie on Research Misconduct.
Ethics CORE (Collaborative Online Resource Environment). National Ethics Center with excellent RCR and ethics resources, sponsored by The National Science Foundation (NSF).
The Online Ethics Center (OEC) for Engineering and Research, from the National Academy of Engineering, has extensive resources for ethics in science and engineering education.
Bioethics Resources on the Web from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) provides a compilation of web links.
The Project for Scholarly Integrity from the Council of Graduate Schools (CGS) provides resources for graduate education and has published Research and Scholarly Integrity in Graduate Educate Education: A Comprehensive Approach (2012), on building high quality RCR programs for graduate students.
The Ethics Education Library, funded by NSF, is a collection of resources for scholars and university administrators interested in developing ethics training and instruction programs for undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students.

SAMPLE RCR WORKSHOP MATERIALS
These PowerPoint slides were used in Rutgers graduate student workshops that were offered in 2010. Feel free to re-use them in whole or in part.
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